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SUBJECT: ICCS BEN CAT COMPOUND SHELLING

REF: SAIGON 8483

1. CAN DEL HEAD COLONEL MORROW, WHO HAD JUST RETURNED FROM BEN CAT TO ASSESS DAMAGE TO ICCS COMPOUND, TODAY TOLD ME THAT DAMAGE AMOUNTED TO LESS THAN TEN PERCENT. ONLY BUILDING AFFECTED WAS OUTDOOR LAVATORY IN AREA SET UP FOR PRG MEMBERS OF TPJMC. MORROW SAID THAT NO, RPT NO, ICCS MEMBERS PRESENT WHEN 105 MM ROUNDS LANDED. TEAM ASSIGNED TO COVER THIS LOCATION IS HOUSED IN OLD CORDS COMPOUND IN LAMSON, CLOSE TO PHU CUONG, THE CAPITOL OF BINH DUONG PROVINCE.

2. SEPARATE TALK WITH BINH BUONG PROVINCE CHIEF, COLONEL CUA, WHO ALSO VISITED THE SCENE, CONFIRMED MORROW'S REPORT. CUA TOLD ME THAT TWO OF THE THREE ROUNDS LANDED OUTSIDE OF COMPOUND. BOTH SOURCES ARE CONVINCED THAT COMMUNIST ARTILLERY UNIT RESPONSIBLE. WALKINSHAW

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